

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1: Between the title and the 1<sup>st</sup> full paragraph, insert the following:

**Background of the Invention**

Page 4: Between paragraphs 1 and 2, insert the following:

**Summary of the Invention**

Page 9: 1<sup>st</sup> full paragraph, amend as indicated below:

In this case, it makes sense to place into the complete supply channel one or a plurality of indicators that indicate the precise segment up to which the sterilization medium has penetrated. ~~The subordinate claims propose such~~ In other advantageous embodiments in which the indicator (2) is distributed selectively over the entire length of the supply channel or a plurality of indicators (2) is distributed over the length of the supply channel (4).

Page 11: Between paragraphs 3 and 4 insert the following:

**Brief Description of the Drawings**

Page 14: After list insert the following:

**Detailed Description of the Invention**